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## *Press Release*

### **On February 25, 2010** **Man Receives 1 Year in Prison** **For Larceny of Fishing Equipment**

On February 9, 2010, the Barrington Police Department received a call from Striper Marina that a boat in storage was entered by means of cutting through the shrink wrap and several expensive fishing rods and reels were removed from the galley area. **Detective Lt. Dino DeCrescenzo** met with the manager of the marina and obtained several photographs from the external security camera system. These photographs were placed on the local RI TV networks as well as the van used during the theft. That evening Det. Lt. DeCrescenzo received calls from 3 officers from the West Warwick Police Department who identified the person in question as Donald Ross, age 46 , of 78 Tanglewood Drive, West Warwick, RI.

During the investigation, Patrolman Beltrami of West Warwick Police Department went by the Ross residence after seeing the news release and took photos of the van which was captured at the time of the larceny. On February 11, 2010 an arrest warrant was obtained for Mr. Ross who was subsequently arrested and charged with *Larceny Over \$500* and *Break and Entering of a Building with an Intent to Commit Felony*. Upon Mr. Ross's arrest, he admitted that had broken into the 40' boat and stold the fishing rods and reels, selling them to a consignment shop in Warwick. All fishing gear was subsequently recovered by Barrington Detectives.

On Thursday, February 25, 2010 Donald Ross plead nolo contendere to the charge of *Break and Entering of a Building with an Intent to Commit Felony* and as a result of other criminal charges pending, he received a 10 year suspended sentence with one to serve. Thanks to the help of West Warwick Police Officers, this case was solved within 24 hours.

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